

# Michiana Monthly



Vol. 26 No.3 March 2009

# **Next Meeting**

April 13, 2009

Dinner at 6:30 Meeting at 7:30

Volcano's Pizza 3700 Lincolnway West South Bend, IN 46628

# **Upcoming Events**

# **April 16-19**

MCA 45<sup>th</sup> Mustang Anniversary Celebration, Barber Motorsports Park, Birmingham, AL

# April 17

Cruise-In to 'Mustang' McDonalds for Mustang birthday party

# **May 11**

Monthly Meeting 6:30/7:30 @ Firemen's Union Hall

More events on page 5

# In this Month's Issue

Last Month's Meeting	2
Treasurer's Report	3
Birthdays/Anniversaries	3
Show/Cruise-In Calendar	4
Bowling Report/Party Preview	5
'Getting to Know'	6
Classifieds	7
'From the Back Seat'	8

## **Comments from the President**

Finally the snow is gone and some flowers are blooming, and we know what that means. It's time to get the ponies out of the barn and let them run. April is already a busy month with the 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Show in Birmingham. Those who are not going to the show will celebrate at the Mustang McDonalds on April 17.

Last month's meeting was kind of interesting. We weren't able to meet at the Firefighter's Hall, as they were not prepared to serve us. The meeting was then moved to the Volcano Restaurant at 3700 Lincolnway West. They were a little surprised at the sudden crowd but were able to accommodate us. There was a Board Meeting last month and the officers decided to move this month's meeting to Volcano's. We would like to see how this works for a second time before making any formal decision on where the club should meet. The owner, Nick, and his staff will do their best to accommodate us by seating us on one side of the restaurant.

\*\*Don't forget to wear your nametag at this meeting. There's 50 cent charge for forgetting. If you are in need of a nametag, see Dave Yoder at the meeting.

Howard Barrett has been working hard with Eby Ford regarding our show and shine and sponsorship with them. There will be a show and shine on July 11, which is their Open House. They are planning a live broadcast with Channel 16 in the morning and a radio station will be broadcasting live. Lunch will be provided and the Eby sales team will be judging our cars and presenting awards. Howard is still working with them on the sponsorship by either Mustangs sold or straight donation. Thanks, Howard, for all your hard work on this!

I have an idea on how to help our friends and neighbors that I would like to present at our next meeting. So if you're curious, see you at the Volcano!

Bob

#### **NOTES:**

Remember: Starting this month, NAMETAGS ARE REQUIRED for the meetings! There is a \$0.50 fine for non-compliance.

Note the change in meeting location this month!

1

#### 2009 Board of Directors

#### **President**

Bob Goeller...(574) 256-5787 rg67stang@sbcglobal.net

#### Vice-President

Kevin Price...(269) 782-7095 untamedstang@msn.com

#### **Secretary**

June Schmidt...(219) 766-3831 jschmidt@michianamustangs.com

#### Treasurer

David Yoder...(574) 546-5282 Dyoder@michianamustangs.com

#### **Regional MCA Director**

Jim Schmidt...(219) 766-3831 jschmidt@michianamustangs.com

#### **Immediate Past President**

Art Campbell...(574) 266-2944 art51059@aol.com

#### **Head Judge**

Ron Newcomer...(574) 295-9694 canrln@verizon.net

#### **Car Show Chairperson**

Carl Kindig ... (574) 256-2173 ck67stang@comcast.net

#### **At-Large Board Members**

Howard Barrett...(574) 875-7240 howard 2000gt@msn.com

Ted Sauerbeck...(574)273-8513 tedpat71@aol.com

Jane Yoder...(574) 546-5282 jyoder@michianamustangs.com

#### **Activities Chairperson**

Brad Milliken...(574) 674-4321 Bradkmill@aol.com

#### **Newsletter Editor**

Art Campbell...(574) 266-2944 art51059@aol.com

# Minutes from last month's meeting:

President Bob Goeller opened the meeting at the Volcano Restaurant. He welcomed members & guests. Those attending were:

Art Anderson, Scott Anderson, Howard Barrett, Art Campbell, Chris & Pete Delchambre, Connie & Vic Garrison, Pat & Bob Goeller, Terry Gunderman, Harold Jedrzejewski, Carl Kindig, Shari & Blair Knaak, Neal Lewis, Pete McClure, Rose & Hal McClure, Brad Milliken, Phil Nicodemus, Arnie O'Blenis, Blake Pierce, Diane & Ken Reed, Robert D. Relos, Jim & June Schmidt, Ken Schmitt, Mr. & Mrs. Alex Weaver, Shirley & Larry Weaver, Alan Wright, Dave Yoder, and Steve York

The minutes of the February meeting were approved as written. The treasurer's report was approved as read.

Members were reminded about wearing nametags. The 50-cent penalty for not wearing one was waived for this meeting.

Bob encouraged members to get their registration and hotel reservations in for the National show to be held in Indianapolis. This is probably the nearest place a national show will be held.

Eight members attended the Chicago Auto Show. All had a fun time looking at the cars of the future and besides the problem with someone being on the wrong train, it was an enjoyable time.

Jim & June Schmidt were welcomed home from the south.

MCA Regional Director Jim Schmidt reported that there would be no fourth National Show this year. MCA will have a new logo. Two charters have been revoked from regional clubs. There will be some new classes introduced at the Birmingham show. There will be some Friday judging at National Shows with the car owner's permission.

Over one thousand cars have registered for the Birmingham celebration. Banquet tickets are sold out - at \$75 each. Downtown cruise slots are all filled also.

Show chairperson Carl Kindig passed around a job sign-up sheet for our club's show on August 8th. MCA abbreviated judging sheets will be used.

Howard Barrett has contacted the Maverick/Comet and Fairlane clubs about participating in our show.

Activity Director, Brad Milliken has planned a bowling event in Elkhart for March 28th.

If you would like to order a nametag, Brad will take your order.

Ron Newcomer checked with the Decker family regarding their scholarship being used for grandchildren, as well as children of club members. They agreed with the suggestion. Scholarship requests were due by March 1 and none have been received for this year.

Howard has talked with the General Manager at Eby Ford in Goshen about being a club sponsor. They would offer the 10% discount on parts and service as Ziegler had. They would like to have two Show and Shines, with one of those including child car seat installation. Art is still trying to work something out with Ziegler Ford.

A Board meeting will be held after the regular meeting. All are welcome to attend.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed that we adjourn. June Schmidt, Secretary

# **Treasurer's Report: March 2009**

#### Income

Club Sales: Name Badges \$58.20

Memberships 60.00 **Total Income** \$118.20

#### **Expenses**

Name Badges 107.80
MCA Discount 5.00
Total Expenses 112.80
Net Income \$5.40



## This Month...

- 13 Terry Gunderman
- 15 Frank Schmidt
- 20 Chad Woody
- 27 Blake Pierce

# **Membership Anniversaries**

Bob Relos	22 years
Pete & Marilyn McClure	20 years
Vic & Connie Garrison	17 years
Howard and Karen Barrett	8 years
Thad Barrett	8 years
Alan & Lisa Ippolito	6 years
Vince & Helen Springer	5 years
Art & Fran Anderson	2 years

# **Membership Dues**

#### **January**

Wachs, George & Shirley

#### March

Craven, Matt

Moore, Robert & Pamela

#### **April**

Anderson, Art & Fran Buell, Pat & Calvin Christena, Becky Delchambre, Pete & Chris Garrison, Vic & Connie Ippolito, Alan & Lisa

#### May

Barrett, Howard & Karen Barrett, Thad

Springer, Vince & Helen

Garofalo, Fred

Goeller, Bob & Pat

Janowiak, Tim

Kern, Christopher

McClure, Pete & Marilyn

Milliken, Brad

Ross, Randy & Lorelei

Sands, Bo & Amanda



# **Happy Anniversary!**

- 6 Joe & Sandy Kraatz (47 years)
- 25 Kevin & Janette Price (1 year)

If I missed your birthday or anniversary, please let me know. Thanks!

#### **Car Show Calendar**

#### April 18

Classic Car and Bike Show at the Porter County Expo Center, Valparaiso, IN. 11:00 a.m. Car Show 1:00 p.m. Adm. \$5.00 Under 12 Years Free. Car Reg. Fee \$15.00. Call: 800-328-2737

#### April 26

Swap Meet and Car Show at the St. Joseph County Fairgrounds, South Bend, IN. Adm. \$5.00. Pre-Reg. \$10.00/Day of Show \$15.00. Call: 574-674-6111 or Visit:

www.pioneerautoassn.com

#### May 15-17

32<sup>nd</sup> Annual INSAAC 'Spring Fling', Brown County State Park, Columbus, IN

#### **June 5-7**

'Race to Indy' MCA National Show, O'Reilly Raceway Park, Indianapolis, IN

#### June 13

28<sup>th</sup> Annual West Michigan Mustang Club Car Show, Tony Betten Ford, Grand Rapids, MI

#### **July 3-5**

'American Stampede' MCA National Show, NC State Fairgrounds, Raleigh, NC

#### **August 27-30**

'Western United States National' (MCA), Airtel Plaza Hotel, San Fernando Valley, CA

#### Cruise-In Calendar

## Wednesdays

Simonton Lake Drive-In, Elkhart

As soon as you hear of a cruise-in being scheduled, let me know. I'll list every one I hear about.

# More Custom Mustangs...



Believe it or not, there's an '86 Mustang in there somewhere!



Words cannot describe...

# A Day at the 'Country Club'

Country Club Lanes, that is. 25 Michiana Mustangers and friends spent an enjoyable afternoon bowling and visiting on March 28. Most of us hadn't picked up a bowling ball since the last outing, or the outing before that. In spite of that, we had a good time knocking down pins, keeping the gutters dust free, and visiting with friends.

When the dust settled, the team of Scot and Chris Anderson, Steve and Dawn Scarborough, and Dawn's son Josh, had the high game with a 697. Scott also had the day's best game at 198.

After bowling, we adjourned to DaVinci's Restaurant in Elkhart. The food was great, the conversation was lively, and our waiter was top notch.

A big thank you to Brad Milliken for organizing this event. It was the most fun I've had since the last time I was with my friends from Michiana Mustangs.

**Becky Campbell** 

# **Bowling was a blast!**

Thanks to all that came out and had fun with us at Country Club Lanes in Elkhart on March 28. I walked in and saw all the Michiana Mustang sweatshirts grouped together and was shocked to see such a great turn out. Of course I was shocked at how poorly I bowled, too! Not too bad since most of us hadn't bowled in two years. Hal said he hadn't bowled since the last time we all went, but I didn't believe him! He was rolling too many strikes.

Anyhow, we all had fun and then went for some food. We really do that well. DaVinci's took pretty good care of us with pizzas, pasta and sandwiches. I've had a couple of requests to do this again in the fall, so keep practicing every week, Hal! The Michiana Mustang Pro Bowlers Tour resumes in the fall.

Brad

# **Mustang Birthday Party**

It's time to get together again at Mustang McDonalds on Grape Rd. in Mishawaka for the 45th birthday of the famous pony car. If you're not going to Alabama to the big party, put Friday, April 17 on your list. Head on over to the McDonalds after 5:00 PM and the club will have a couple of sheet cakes to serve to anyone that stops by. Shine up the cars and we'll have them on display. The manager said she would get it up on the sign that we'll be there and she usually throws in some freebies, too. I like Big Macs, especially the free ones! Hope to see you there.

# **Elkhart Memorial Day Parade**

The theme for this year's Memorial Day parade has been announced by the Elkhart County Veteran Affairs Office. The parade will start at 2 p.m. on May 25. After discussing several ideas, the parade committee chose "America - United We Stand".

According to committee member Barbara Glanders, "We wanted to show that now is the time for America to pull together; to stand together united. Now, more than ever, Americans should stand together"

As usual, the parade will form along Third Street before proceeding down Main Street.

Club participation in the parade will be updated in next month's newsletter.

# Getting to know...

#### **Blair and Shari Knaak**

#### Ruben and Idella Chupp

Family Daughter Liz Blake, Son-in-law Kevin Blake, Kevin and Melisa (Prescott, AZ)

and ADORABLE granddaughter Kylie

Ryan, Christine, and two Grandchildren

(Goshen)

Amy, Amos, and four Grandchildren

(Goshen)

Location Niles, MI for 30 years this summer Nappanee, IN for 9 years

Occupation(s) Facilities Manager at Old National Bank,

Mishawaka/Elkhart, IN

Ruben: Lead Pastor at North Main Street

Mennonite Church in Nappanee

Idella: Office Manager for the Family Christian Development Center in Nappanee

Member Since 1999 2006

1994 5.0 super-charged GT (red) Current Mustang(s)

2003 Mach 1

The one I own.

What got you 'into'

Mustangs?

I have always been a Ford person and fell in love with the Mustang when they first arrived on the floor in '64. One of my most regrettable decisions was back in the early '70s when I chose not to purchase a 1969

Shelby GT for \$4,000!

After getting all busted asunder in a motorcycle accident in 2002, I needed a high performance vehicle to fuss with. Hence, the purchase of the Mach 1, a car I desired as a teenager. (Ed. note: see article

in January 2009 newsletter)

Your favorite Mustang? 1968 Fastback dark blue

1969 yellow Shelby GT 500 convertible Your dream Mustang?

The one I own - developing 500 hp with the addition of a Vortech Supercharger

Your favorite Mustang

Experience?

Going to the Dearborn Assembly Plant on

the club trip back in 2000.

Detailing the Mach 1 in my driveway before attending a car show or cruise-in. Attending Michiana Mustang events, as time permits.

People might be surprised to know that I/we...

(Blair) used to be a railroad engineer for Amtrak and Conrail and Shari really loves the four-legged Mustangs the best. She

used to be a barrel racer!

have lived in five states: Michigan, Kansas, Illinois, Iowa, and Indiana. We're still young enough to drive straight through to Florida. I used to hill climb motorcycles. So many good books, so little time to read

them...





**Next month...** Becky Campbell and Marion Williams

# **Things For Sale!**

\* \* \*

## **Two Engines**

One is a 5.0 and has been rebuilt and is ready to be bolted in. I also have the fuel injection to go with it for \$1,000 or best offer.

The second engine is the 3.8 from the 1983 Mustang. It has been totally rebuilt and has only 1.000 miles on it.

If you have any questions, you can e-mail Harold at hjedrzejewski@yahoo.com

\* \* \*

I still have 5 like new P185/75R14 tires for sale, white wall. One has NEVER been on the ground; still have the wear tips on yet. The other 4 have 4/32" wear left on them. They are already off the rims.

For anyone who is a club member of M.C.A. or the Ohio Classic Mustang Club I will sell ALL 5 for \$175.00 (That's \$35 ea.) Four of them are SEARS tires & one is a Cooper Tire, but all of them match.

If anyone wants these tires, they can e-mail me at <a href="mailto:phiqley@srscnet.com">phiqley@srscnet.com</a>

I still have a 289 Engine (Block, heads & intake). Also a FoMoCo 1965 Ford Mustang AM Radio, LIKE THE ONE THAT WAS IN THE CAR when it came off the line. Good condition. Will sell for \$50.00.

Phil (Higley) M.C.A. member

\* \* \*

1985 mustang 5.0 ho, automatic, lx hatchback. All original except exhaust and paint. Motor has new oil pump and timing chain, but transmission needs work. Very drivable after trans repair but lieu of, very good for parts. Like to sell for \$950.00. Well worth it just in motor and rear axle. If interested please call Harry Scholz at 574-291-9085 home, or 574-386-7512 cell.

 9" Ford center section - 4.56 gear with spool set up for a 31 spline axle \$450.00

- 428 4-barrel intake (C68E) \$150.00
- Set of cast iron factory headers for a '71 429 \$250.00
- 428 FE block (C6ME) \$200.00

For more information call Ken Reed (269) 641-2120

# Looking For...

\* \* \*

WANTED: 1965/1966 parts car for use as an assembly guide to finish my convertible. Tim Janowiak at 574-271-7568.

\* \* :

I am Looking to BUY an O.E.M. '65 FORD RADIO.

Must have a '5' in the upper left hand corner of the face of the dial & play.

If you have one, or know of someone who has one for sale, e-mail <a href="mailto:phigley@srscnet.com">phigley@srscnet.com</a>

If your item has sold or is no longer available for sale, please contact the newsletter editor.

#### From The Back Seat

## A little travelling music, please?

The beginning of the car show season has arrived with this month's 45th Anniversary Show in Alabama and next month's INSAAC 'Spring Fling' in Brown County. I envy those of you who are able to do both this year; I'm sure the MCA show will equal or surpass the 40th Anniversary show, which I thought was fantastic. Those who have attended at least one 'Spring Fling' know that great memories can be recalled just with those two words.

If you go to either or both of these shows, bring back photos to share with those who can't go along. Send copies to me and I'll share them in future newsletters.

If you have not been to one of the 'event' type shows (as compared to a one-day local event), you owe it to yourself to try one. I think most of us who have been there can tell you that it's worth the effort.

While it's true to an extent that one show is like another, there is no comparison for the total experience. The bonding among club members that occurs during one of these weekends is wonderful, and the chance to meet and get to know other Mustang people adds greatly to your enjoyment.

From the broken record store, I'm still looking for 'Pony of the Month' and 'My First Mustang' stories, as well as more of your profiles. I have profiles to cover the next couple of months, but there are no car stories in the pipeline at all right now. Please, don't make me beg!

Also from the repeat department, feel free to report on any event you attend.

Have a good month and enjoy your travels...



# \_IDIOT SIGHTING\_

We had to have the garage door repaired. The Sears repairman told us that one of our problems was that we did not have a 'large' enough motor on the opener. I thought for a minute, and said that we had the largest one Sears made at that time, a 1/2 horsepower. He shook his head and said, 'Lady, you need a 1/4 horsepower.' I responded that 1/2 was larger than 1/4. He said, 'NO, it's not.' Four is larger than two...

We haven't used Sears repair since.

# \_IDIOT SIGHTING\_

My daughter and I went through the McDonald's take-out window and I gave the clerk a \$5 bill. Our total was \$4.25, so I also handed her a quarter. She said, 'you gave me too much money.' I said, 'Yes, I know, but this way you can just give me a dollar bill back. She sighed and went to get the manager who asked me to repeat my request. I did so, and he handed me back the quarter, and said 'We're sorry but we could not do that kind of thing.' The clerk then proceeded to give me back \$1 and 75 cents in change...

Do not confuse the clerks at McDonald's.\*

# \_IDIOT SIGHTING\_

I live in a semi rural area. We recently had a new neighbor call the local township administrative office to request the removal of the DEER CROSSING sign on our road. The reason: 'Too many deer are being hit by cars out here! I don't think this is a good place for them to be crossing anymore.'

From Kingman, KS.\*

# \_IDIOT SIGHTING IN FOOD SERVICE\_

My daughter went to a local Taco Bell and ordered a taco. She asked the person behind the counter for 'minimal lettuce.' He said he was sorry, but they only had iceberg lettuce.

\*From Kansas City \*

#### STAY ALERT!

They walk among us... and they VOTE... and they REPRODUCE...

# Michiana Mustangs Sponsors



2525 Bypass Rd. Elkhart, IN 46515 574-294-1563 www.aford.com

10%-20% discount on Ford parts with your current Michana Mustanga membership



# Creative Promotions

3112 Lexington Park Dr. Elkhart, IN 46514 574-294-5502 www.c2promo.com





2906 N. Home St. Mishawaka, IN 46545 574-259-5203 Steve Sandefer

dulevpress@sprvnet.com



3914 Lexington Park Dr. Elkhart, IN 46514 574-225-6879 www.dec-o-art.com Fred Dosmann sales@dec-o-art.com



3701 S. Main St. Elkhart, IN 46517 574-875-6502

www.concordshopp/nome/li.com



1203 W. Plymouth St. Bremen, IN 46506 574-546-2727

www.BremenFordMercury.com

Laura Martin Itmartin@fourway.net



2534 State Road 331 Bremen, IN 46506 574-546-5100

www.yoderwoodworkina.com David Yoder



1021 E. McKinley Mishawaka, IN 46545 574-259-5403 www.bioclumber.com

Bob Kyle bobk@bioclumber.com



Fire Fighters Local 362 4025 Lincolnway West South Bend, IN 46628 www.local362.com